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TRAVERSE OF ELECTION REQUIREMENT

As an initial point, the undersigned notes that the Examiner attempted to contact the undersigned and apparently received no return phone call. The undersigned apologizes for this lapse in civility.

The Applicant hereby respectfully traverses the election requirement, and in support thereof states as follows: The novel and nonobvious aspects of the present invention pertain to the mounting interface (Please see elements (32) and (14) in FIG. 4). The specific attachment affixed to plate 34 is not particularly significant to the invention, as all these attachments are known in the art. The rod holder portion shown in FIG. 5, the GPS holder shown in FIG. 6, the light bracket shown in FIG. 6, and the other attachments are all considered to be obvious variants. The Applicant hereby admits this position on the record.

However, consistent with the provisions of §818.03, the Applicant also provisionally elects the Species identified by the Examiner as Species I: Figs. 1-5. The claims reading on Species I are claims 1-3. A listing of all the claims, identifying the claims reading upon the elected species, is provided on the next page. The Applicant is uncertain how to present the non-elected claims while still complying with the provisions of 37 CFR §1.121. The non-elected claims will

be listed as “(Original, non-elected):”